

RUSSELL REMINDER

Russell Library • 123 Broad Street • Middletown, CT 06457

Library Hours & Contact Information

Monday - Thursday	9am - 8:30pm	Main Number	(860) 347-2528
Friday	9am - 6pm	Information Services	(860) 347-2520
Saturday	9am - 5pm	Children's Services	(860) 344-8479
Sunday	1pm - 4pm	Room Reservations	(860) 347-2528, x135
		FAX	(860) 347-4048

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APRIL
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All programs are free.

Thank you to The Friends for their continued support!

Date	Location	Time	
1	Hubbard Room	10:45am	Cultural Connections - Women of all nationalities are invited to come and meet other immigrant women in order to help one another adapt to American culture. Get help with local resources and network. Share stories, tips and make new friends. Children are welcome. Fluency in English is not necessary. Drop-in, no registration.
2	Activity Room	10am	First Saturday Favorite Stories - Drop by for stories, new and old favorites, and stay to make a craft together. For 3 - 5 year olds, but all ages are welcome.
	Hubbard Room	1pm	Drumming Circle - with Jocelyn Pleasant . Come learn the health benefits of drumming with others in a 'drumming circle'. Think you can't keep a beat? You can join the circle, and learn! Drop-in; a <i>Middletown Health Grant</i> program.
4	Meeting Room 3	3:30pm	Gaming Guild - Join us for <i>Minecraft</i> , <i>Magic the Gathering</i> , <i>Pokemon</i> , <i>Yu-Gi-Oh!</i> , board games or electronic games. Grades: 7 to 12. Drop-in; no registration.
	Hubbard Room	6:30pm	Learn About Lyme Disease - "Voices Against Lyme Disease", a statewide advocacy program, will share information about the disease: how you get it, how to prevent getting it and what symptoms to look for. Drop-in; no registration .
5	Meeting Room 3	9:30am	Introduction to Lynda.com - Learn how the library's database <i>Lynda.com</i> can be helpful to you, both at home and at work. Drop-in, no registration.
	Hubbard Room	7pm	"One Book on the Riverbend" Book Discussion: <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> Indira Karamcheti will lead discussion of this classic novel. Drop-in.
6	Activity Room	1:30pm	Baby Rhyme Time - Songs, rhymes and fingerplays for babies 12 months and under and their grown-ups. NO REGISTRATION
	Meeting Room 3	3:30pm	Teen Advisory Council - Join the library's Teen Advisory Council; earn C.S. hours, help plan library activities; grades: 7 to 12. Contact Heather: hscussell@russell.lioninc.org.
7	Hubbard Room	9:30am	Job Group - An opportunity to network with other job seekers, and get the advice of professionals on the job market. NO REGISTRATION
	Meeting Room 2	7pm	Veterans' Writing Group - All veterans, either active or retired, are invited to share their stories in their own voices. NO REGISTRATION
	Hubbard Room	7pm	Introduction to Shamanism - a practice that involves reaching altered states of consciousness in order to perceive and interact with a spirit world. Gregory Besek, a lifelong spiritual practitioner and mystic is the instructor. Drop-in, no registration.
8	Activity Room	9am - 6pm	Russell Library Friends' Book Sale - featuring Poetry: It's National Poetry Month!
9	Activity Room	9am - 5pm	Russell Library Friends' Book Sale - Proceeds fund library programs!
	Hubbard Room	2pm	Roy Lisker: A Talk About His Life and Work - Author, math-physicist, activist, artist, composer and world traveller, Roy has made Middletown his home base for 20 years.
10	Activity Room	1- 4pm	Russell Library Friends' Book Sale
11	Meeting Room 2	3:30pm	Master Builder's Club - Teens: expand your Lego horizons! Try <i>Lego® Picture Creator</i> , or <i>Lego® Mindstorm EV3</i> . Grades: 7 to 12. Drop-in, no registration.
12	Childrens Desk	●	Register for My Garden Grows art program on April 19th; grades 3-5: 860-344-8479
	Meeting Room 3	7pm	Otakus of Russell Library Unite! - Teen group for fans of anime, manga and all things Japanese. Drop in program for ages 11 and up.
	Meeting Room 2	7pm	Russell Readers - <i>The Conversion of the Jews</i> by Philip Roth, from the collection <i>100 Years of the Best American Short Stories</i> . Discussions based on the Great Books Foundation method; for further information, email: chantal.foster@comcast.net
14	Hubbard Room	9:30am	Job Group - Professional advice and networking. NO REGISTRATION
	Meeting Room 3	3:30pm	Teen Tech Thursdays - Try out new technologies such as robotics, engineering, and coding. Grades: 7 to 12. Please register at 860-347-2520.
	Hubbard Room	7pm	Free concert - Route 202: Thomasina Levy and Rob Brereton - 'Eclectic and fun-loving' are the best words to describe this acoustic duo, two award-winning musicians whose reportoire ranges from folk to swing to classical. Route 202's songs, dulcimers, guitars and drums have enchanted audiences throughout the U.S.; Thomasina Levy is a former Connecticut State Troubadour.

15	Meeting Room 2	7pm	Veterans’ Writing Group - All veterans are welcome. NO REGISTRATION Builders' Club - Come build with your favorite interlocking blocks! We are using small Lego® pieces; younger siblings may play in our toddler room. Ages: 5 – 12; drop-in.
	Activity Room	4pm	
16	Hubbard Room	1pm	Shakespeare On Screen: Film Series - <i>The Tempest</i> (2010) Can a Shakespeare play work when you change the gender of its hero? Acclaimed stage director Julie Taymor has changed Shakespeare’s Prospero, fearsome magician and loving father, into an equally fearsome Prospera, Wiccan and protective mother; an all-star cast headed by Helen Mirren. Richard Alleva will introduce and discuss.
18	Hubbard Room	11am	Caryn Lin: From Bach 2 Rock - In a multi-media interactive extravaganza, Caryn transforms sound through her electric violin and other devices and takes students from Bach to today's techno-wonders. This is a family concert, all ages welcome. Drop-in, no registration; <i>sponsored by The Friends of the Library</i> . Readers' Theater: Satchmo at the Waldorf - a two-man, three-character play portrays Louis Armstrong, the great jazz trumpeter; Joe Glaser, his white manager and Miles Davis, who admired Armstrong’s playing but disliked his onstage manner; it's 1971 backstage at the Waldorf-Astoria. (note: rated R for language). Live drama read by professional actors, directed by Anne Cassady and Richard Kamins. Drop-in; no registration; <i>sponsored by The Friends</i> .
	Hubbard Room	7pm	
19	Hubbard Room	12pm	'Chasing Justice Through the Ruins' Film Series - Film critic Richard Alleva will introduce, screen and discuss <i>The Third Man</i> (1949), starring Joseph Cotten. Bring a sandwich, if you like. Dessert and beverages provided; no registration. My Garden Grows - Meredith Arcari, will explore the link between science and art with children in grades 3-5, who will create a mixed media 'garden' using textured paper, fabric and paint. Register in person or by phone: 860-344-8479.
	Activity Room	6pm	
20	Activity Room	10:30am	Fun with Yarn - You will have a spinning good time creating pom pom creatures, bracelets and yarn friends! Ages: 5 and up; drop-in, no registration. Baby Rhyme Time - Songs, rhymes and fingerplays. NO REGISTRATION Teen Crafternoon - Crafting program for grades 7 - 12; please register: 860-347-2520 Family Game Night - Board games, foosball, cards: all ages, drop-in. Weight Loss: Getting a Grip on Letting Go ; part 1 - Wholesome ways to achieve weight normalcy, with Certified Hypnotherapist Gregory Besek. Drop-in. Job Group - Professional advice and networking. NO REGISTRATION Weight Loss: Getting a Grip on Letting Go - part 2 of (above) workshop; drop-in.
	Activity Room	1:30pm	
	Meeting Room 2	3:30pm	
	Activity Room	6-8pm	
	Hubbard Room	7pm	
21	Hubbard Room	9:30am	Veterans’ Writing Group - All veterans are welcome. NO REGISTRATION Free concert: Entwyned Early Music - will perform <i>Popular Music from the Bard to Bach</i> . The ensemble features lutes, voice, Baroque flute and viola de gamba and music of the great early composers from 1600 to 1750 including Bach, Handel, Telemann, Dowland, and Johnson. Part of <i>Shakespeare 400</i> ; drop-in; no registration. Using Excel to Manage your Household Budget - Drop-in; no registration. Using Excel to Manage Your Investments - Drop-in; no registration. Otakus! - Anime, manga and all things Japanese. Drop-in: for ages 11 and up. Money, Money, Money! - Celebrate Money Smart Week with money themed stories and crafts. Ages: 3 – 6 years old; drop-in, no registration
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27	Activity Room	6:30pm	Baby Rhyme Time - Songs, rhymes and fingerplays. NO REGISTRATION Learn About Grants Databases - <i>Foundation Directory Online</i> , <i>Foundation Grants to Individuals</i> , and <i>GrantStation</i> will be featured. Drop-in, no registration. Social Security and Medicare - Bud Reading explains government retirement benefits. Job Group - Professional advice and networking. NO REGISTRATION Early History of Golf in Connecticut - Anthony Pioppi, the author of <i>To the Nines</i> , <i>The History of The Minikahda Club Golf Course</i> , and co-author of <i>Haunted Golf</i> . Veterans’ Writing Group - All veterans are welcome. NO REGISTRATION Cultivate Your Individual Donors: grants program with Judi Margolin - For most nonprofits, individual donors are their bread and butter, when it comes to raising funds. Ms. Margolin, formerly of the Foundation Center and now an independent consultant (needagrants.org) familiarizes participants with the specifics of that essential relationship. Registration is required: 860-347-2520.
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	Meeting Room 3	2-4pm	
28	Hubbard Room	6-8pm	Builders' Club - Your favorite interlocking bricks...ages 5 – 12. Drop-in, no reg. Who in the What is Poetry? A poetry event with Susan Allison, Poet Laureate An open discussion and celebration of poetry for beginners, poets, experts, the curious and the frustrated. Drop-in, no registration.
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	Hubbard Room	9:30am	
30	Activity Room	4pm	
	Hubbard Room	2pm	

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Career Coaching - (860) 347-2520 to sign up for a one-hour Monday evening appointment.
Practice Job Interviews - Please call (860) 347-2520 for more information and to sign up.
Resume Reviewing - Register at the Information Desk or by calling (860) 347-2520.
Computer Classes - Please call (860) 347-2520 for more information.

APRIL EXHIBITS

The 140th Anniversary of the Opening of Russell Library - in the lobby display case.
Roy Lisker: Graphic Poetry and Other Multimedia - in the 'alcove gallery' on the first floor.
Middletown Art Academy - 'Water' themes; instructor and student work. First floor lobby & second floor Info area.